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CALF CROP 1957

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CALF CROP 2 PERCENT SMALLER

The United States calf crop in 1957 totaled 41,007,000 head, a decline of 2 percent from the 42,010,000 head in 1956, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was the third consecutive year to show a decrease in the calf crop and the crop was 4 percent below the record 1954 crop of 42,601,000 head. However, the 1957 calf crop was 10 percent larger than the 1946-55 average. All regions showed a decline from 1956 except the South Atlantic.

The decrease in the calf crop during the past year resulted from a decline in cows and heifers 2 years old and over. The number of all cows and heifers 2 years old and over on January 1, 1957 was 47,670,000 head, 2 percent less than a year earlier. Cow herds were further reduced during 1957.

The number of calves born in 1957 expressed as a percentage of cows and heifers 2 years old and older on January 1, 1957 was 86 percent--the same as 1956 and 1 percentage point above the average of 85. This percentage is not strictly a calving rate since the January 1 inventory of cows and heifers 2 years old and older does not include all the heifers which would give birth to calves during the year, and since the inventory does include some cows that are sold before calving. The percentage is calculated to show the trend in productivity over a period of time. It may fluctuate from year to year due to variations in cow slaughter during the year and trends in breeding herd replacements.

NORTH CENTRAL STATES

The calf crop of 17,207,000 head in the North Central States was 2 percent smaller than in 1956 but 7 percent larger than the average. In this area, the East North Central States report a 1 percent decline, while the West North Central States showed a 3 percent decline. The calf crop expressed as a percent of cows and heifers 2 years old and over was 91 percent, compared with 90 percent in 1956.

SOUTHERN STATES

In the South Central States, the calf crop was 10,520,000 head in 1957, 4 percent below the previous year, while in the South Atlantic States the calf crop totaled 3,382,000 head, 3 percent above 1956. The calf crop expressed as a percent of cows and heifers 2 years old and over was 82 percent in the South Central States compared with 84 percent in 1956, and 79 percent in the South Atlantic States, 1 point above a year earlier.

WESTERN STATES

The Western States' calf crop of 6,897,000 head in 1957 compared with 7,044,000 in 1956. The calf crop was 86 percent of the number of cows and heifers 2 years old and older on farms and ranches on January 1, 1957 compared with 85 percent in 1956.

NORTH ATLANTIC STATES

The calf crop in the North Atlantic States totaled 3,001,000 head compared with 3,078,000 last year. The calf crop as a percentage of cows and heifers 2 years and older was 84 percent compared with 85 percent in 1956.

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CALF CRCP REPORT, 1957

State and Division	Calves born			Cows and heifers			Calves born as percent of cows and heifers 2 yrs. & older January 1		
	10-yr. average 1946-55			2 yrs. & older January 1			10-yr. average 1946-55		
	1956 1,000 head			1957 1,000 head			1956 1,000 head		
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	Percent	Percent
Maine	110	111	105	129	132	126	85	84	83
N.H.	60	60	57	72	74	70	84	81	81
Vt.	241	265	254	301	327	314	80	81	81
Mass.	107	100	96	132	125	118	81	80	81
R.I.	16	15	14	20	19	18	80	81	79
Conn.	98	98	92	121	120	115	82	82	80
N.Y.	1,246	1,346	1,293	1,448	1,547	1,521	86	87	85
N.J.	124	130	130	157	161	159	79	81	82
Pa.	869	953	960	1,028	1,121	1,130	85	85	85
N.A.	2,872	3,078	3,001	3,408	3,626	3,571	84	85	84
Ohio	988	1,023	988	1,154	1,162	1,162	86	88	85
Ind.	851	873	838	952	981	942	90	89	89
Ill.	1,292	1,349	1,351	1,443	1,482	1,469	90	91	92
Mich.	866	847	823	1,012	996	991	86	85	83
Wis.	2,269	2,462	2,456	2,510	2,676	2,670	90	92	92
E.N.C.	6,267	6,554	6,456	7,071	7,297	7,234	88	90	89
Minn.	1,592	1,711	1,699	1,747	1,840	1,847	91	93	92
Iowa	1,781	1,976	1,908	1,944	2,080	2,030	92	95	94
Mo.	1,571	1,753	1,754	1,728	1,970	1,928	91	89	91
N.Dak.	737	893	882	831	1,026	1,014	89	87	87
S.Dak.	1,142	1,393	1,418	1,284	1,639	1,525	89	85	93
Nebr.	1,534	1,759	1,697	1,716	1,901	1,845	89	93	92
Kans.	1,483	1,579	1,393	1,669	1,794	1,548	89	88	90
W.N.C.	9,841	11,064	10,751	10,918	12,250	11,737	90	90	92
N.C.	16,108	17,618	17,207	17,989	19,547	18,971	90	90	91
Del.	33	34	34	41	43	42	80	80	81
Md.	227	259	266	269	308	302	84	84	88
Va.	564	639	654	680	779	770	83	82	85
W.Va.	271	281	271	319	343	331	85	82	82
N.C.	355	455	469	463	576	579	76	79	81
S.C.	194	273	285	254	346	356	76	79	80
Ga.	506	671	698	655	849	841	77	79	83
Fla.	505	685	705	789	1,008	1,052	64	68	67
S.A.	2,654	3,297	3,382	3,469	4,252	4,273	76	78	79
Ky.	766	876	872	682	995	991	87	88	88
Tenn.	773	888	885	894	1,032	1,029	86	86	86
Ala.	621	821	838	810	1,052	1,047	76	78	80
Miss.	754	1,074	1,126	1,047	1,432	1,481	72	75	76
Ark.	597	710	719	735	887	877	81	80	82
La.	708	946	944	926	1,213	1,210	76	78	78
Okl.	1,351	1,545	1,402	1,539	1,717	1,669	88	90	84
Texas	3,868	4,113	3,734	4,752	4,728	4,499	81	87	83
S.C.	9,436	10,973	10,520	11,584	13,056	12,803	81	84	82
Mont.	890	1,151	1,102	986	1,238	1,225	90	93	90
Idaho	413	546	548	479	600	616	86	91	89
Wyo.	447	470	480	537	553	558	83	85	86
Colo.	756	772	744	876	908	846	86	85	88
N.Mex.	542	590	510	683	729	645	79	81	79
Ariz.	366	367	330	469	465	440	78	79	75
Utah	270	309	296	318	364	357	84	85	83
Nev.	220	242	266	289	314	320	76	77	83
Wash.	413	466	473	486	561	531	85	83	89
Greg.	499	608	598	608	724	712	82	84	84
Calif.	1,278	1,523	1,550	1,537	1,792	1,802	83	85	86
West.	6,094	7,044	6,897	7,268	8,248	8,052	84	85	86
U. S.	37,164	42,010	41,007	43,718	48,729	47,670	85	86	86

/ Not strictly a calving rate. Figure represents calves born expressed as percentage of the January 1 inventory of cows and heifers 2 years old and over on January 1 and not the number of all cows and heifers giving birth to calves during the year.

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Meat animals: Average cost to packers per 100 pounds and number of head purchased
as reported on Livestock Slaughter Reports February 1958

State	Cattle		Calves		Sheep and Lambs		Hogs	
	Head Number	Ave. cost Dol.	Head Number	Ave. cost Dol.	Head Number	Ave. cost Dol.	Head Number	Ave. cost Dol.
Maine	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N.H.	2,095	17.30	2,774	18.80	---	---	---	---
Vt.	567	13.40	4,097	13.30	---	---	---	---
Mass.	3,590	19.50	7,371	21.70	26,067	23.80	---	---
R.I.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Conn.	---	---	---	---	---	---	27,184	21.20
N.Y.	6,686	24.30	7,326	17.90	---	---	57,956	21.00
N.J.	1,934	28.40	1,790	33.10	44,977	26.10	124,999	20.90
Pa.	9,723	19.90	9,098	25.80	2,255	24.90	110,697	21.40
Ohio	27,497	22.90	5,749	26.50	13,894	23.60	182,242	20.30
Ind.	26,027	21.60	9,587	25.80	12,940	22.30	230,050	20.00
Ill.	106,822	23.20	15,075	22.90	21,478	20.80	412,754	19.50
Mich.	3,601	16.60	1,923	22.90	---	---	---	---
Wis.	37,143	17.60	87,949	24.00	15,111	22.70	188,531	19.50
Minn.	105,030	19.90	42,677	22.70	82,313	22.50	459,028	19.50
Iowa	103,357	22.10	3,145	25.00	45,346	22.10	574,866	19.40
Mo.	66,945	23.20	9,353	23.80	39,327	22.60	266,807	20.00
N.Dak.	7,966	19.30	1,329	20.70	23,193	22.00	9,677	19.20
S.Dak.	26,167	21.50	117	21.10	61,251	22.60	149,563	19.40
Nebr.	122,657	22.90	3,733	20.70	120,663	22.70	331,657	19.70
Kans.	57,954	21.70	8,787	23.10	30,351	22.60	179,224	19.90
Del.	494	16.00	---	---	---	---	---	---
Md.	5,792	22.10	1,746	23.80	---	---	27,351	20.10
Va.	5,225	21.40	5,664	27.80	---	---	61,389	20.10
W.Va.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N.C.	---	---	---	---	---	---	15,894	20.20
S.C.	4,711	17.10	1,410	24.10	---	---	17,090	19.60
Ga.	13,598	19.00	9,758	21.00	---	---	104,675	19.60
Fla.	8,651	20.90	3,468	21.20	---	---	3,058	20.00
Ky.	9,153	18.90	509	28.70	7,151	18.70	81,676	20.20
Tenn.	20,580	18.40	21,360	22.70	1,157	19.40	110,801	19.60
Ala.	6,287	18.70	2,678	22.20	---	---	19,053	19.80
Miss.	4,177	14.80	5,403	21.50	---	---	---	---
Ark.	1,858	13.80	1,021	20.50	---	---	---	---
La.	3,750	14.70	1,245	21.60	---	---	---	---
Okl.	4,866	20.10	2,001	23.60	2,090	20.80	12,827	20.70
Tex.	34,613	18.90	25,767	23.40	47,411	21.60	105,196	20.60
Mont.	2,048	18.80	---	---	---	---	8,271	20.80
Idaho	10,025	21.80	400	16.50	616	21.40	2,821	21.20
Wyo.	72	20.40	---	---	---	---	115	22.20
Colo.	35,300	24.00	731	22.50	79,596	22.60	36,085	20.20
N.Mex.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	6,370	23.90	915	24.70	---	---	11,014	22.30
Utah	6,134	21.90	---	---	8,946	22.10	24,786	21.30
Nev.	1,665	22.30	---	---	---	---	207	17.90
Wash.	15,733	22.70	470	22.90	5,823	22.70	44,723	22.00
Oreg.	5,843	21.60	450	26.50	10,337	22.80	11,019	21.50
Calif.	40,664	23.20	13,726	23.50	52,594	23.40	50,329	21.80
U.S.	963,370	21.60	320,607	23.20	754,887	22.70	4,053,615	19.90

